## Testimony of the International Union of Elevator Constructors Local 91 General Law Committee Connecticut General Assembly

## Raised Bill No. 6808 An Act Concerning The Enforcement Of Certain Occupational Licensing Statutes.

## February 24, 2015

Senator Leone, Representative Baram, Ranking Members & Members of the General Law Committee:

My name is John DeRosa, and I am the Business Manager of the International Union of Elevator Constructors Local 91. I am submitting this letter in support of Raised Bill No. 6808 AN ACT CONCERNING THE ENFORCEMENT OF CERTAIN OCCUPATIONAL LICENSING STATUTES.

As a R2 Elevator Journeyperson, I have been licensed in Connecticut for more than thirty years, and currently serve as the Chairman of the Elevator Installation, Repair, and Maintenance Work Examination Board for the State of Connecticut.

As a member of the "Elevator Board" I have strongly supported the efforts of the State of Connecticut to promote the protection of the health, safety, and welfare of the general public through current licensing laws and regulations.

Bill 6808 would provide the Commissioner and/or the Examining Boards with the authority to issue a cease work order of those in violation of the occupational licensing statute. Enabling both the examining boards and the Commissioner of DCP to separately or jointly issue these orders increases the ability to enforce our statutes. I urge you to support this bill so that we can better keep the general public and our workforce safe.

Thank you,

John DeRosa